

traditional center of that temporal power was the "Island of Arabia," comprising Mesopotamia as well as Arabia proper, the Sultan's temporal power must not only be maintained over Constantinople, but the "Island of Arabia" must be left under Turkish sovereignty.

It might be rejoined that if the Sultan chose to make war as a temporal ruler it would hardly be reasonable for him, when defeated, to set up the demurrer that his temporal power was, from an Islamic theological standpoint, secure and inalienable. Yet the author seems willing to join with

Mohammed Ali in offering this demurrer for him.

M. Gaillard is also ingenious enough to try to justify the Armenian massacres on the theory that the Armenians have always harried the Turks more than the Turks have harried the Armenians. He disregards the damaging evidence as to the scope in character of these atrocities which has come even from German sources—in the collection, for example, of German diplomatic documents published in 1912 by Dr. Johannes Lepsius. To the author of the Turk is, and must remain more sinned against than sinning—in

short, something of an exemplary world citizen.

There are blemishes on a work which, though transparently partisan, shows an intimate knowledge of the conditions under which the Sèvres treaty was marked out, and of the far Eastern situation, dealt with by it with such tragic ineffectiveness. Of all the peace treaties this was the most inapplying and hesitatingly drawn and has been the quickest to fall to pieces. In the author's judgment it reflected the religious prejudice of the Catholic and Protestant world against Islam rather than sound Western European policy.

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